

HENRY STREET SETTLEMENT EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT SERVICES THE WEEK OF AUGUST 28, 2017

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

EDUCATION:

After-School & Camp:

This week was our final week at JRC Camp Henry. On Wednesday, the participants rocked their showcase. Each unit preformed a choreographed dance routine for their friends and families. Each of our Activity Specialist were also able to give a presentation on what the campers had accomplished this summer. We ended camp with a barbeque dance party, complete with burgers, hotdogs, chips, cupcakes, and ice cream sundaes. The campers were also presented certificates of achievement in an intimate closing ceremony. We look forward to seeing our campers return for after-school in the fall and for the next summer season. Thank you to the staff, campers, and supportive families that made such a wonderful summer season possible.

High School & College Success:

- ❖ This week at Brooklyn Lab, we held our 3rd incoming student orientation on Thursday evening from 6-8 PM. We had over 70 families (of the 97 incoming students) in attendance, and the event was a great success. On Friday, Katherine led a PD for new teachers on the community Schools initiative and all the work that has been done over the last three years. Katherine will be taking teachers on a neighborhood tour early next week.
- ❖ This week, OCA teachers ventured over to the 265 Dining Room in order to engage in curriculum training and thought-provoking conversations about bias in the classroom. 21 families attended a pre-Back to School Night at OCA to learn more about exciting changes for the 2017-18 school year and how to become more involved in the community. OCA rising seniors worked with Ms. Sho to register for the SATs and prepared for the first round of their Posse applications!
- ❖ In Expanded Horizons, we continued alumni meetings, by connecting with 4 students in person to discuss their educational progress and support needs.

Sports and Recreation:

- ❖ This past week in our 15U BGR NBA Summer League the Hornets defeated the Pelicans in the summer league finals to become the 2017 15U BGR NBA Summer League Champions. Kenyen Epps was named the 2017 Championship MVP after scoring 28pts in the team victory. In our 19U BGR FIBA League Spain defeated Brazil in the world championship to become the 2017 19U BGR FIBA League Champions. Jesse Parrilla was named the 2017 Championship MVP after scoring 30pts in the team victory.
- ❖ This week in 301 Sports and Recreation coach Victor Sierra will be competing for his 3rd championship of the summer in 3PBL this weekend against the number one seeded Knicks team. Victor has shown tremendous growth over the course of the year and is looking to take a clean sweep of all Henry Street sponsored tournaments.

EMPLOYMENT

Job Essentials Training (JET):

❖ A.R. left the Lower East Side and moved to Florida in the height of gang violence in the 90's. After recreating his life there, he received the news that his mother's health was not doing too well. A.R. returned back to a community that is gentrified and much different than the neighborhood he grew up in. He assumed with these new buildings he would see more job prospects. Instead what he saw was expensive rents, and many service jobs that wanted a particular type of staff. After going on many interviews and not seeing any results, he took a chance with JET. A.R was advised by his Employment

Coordinator to check into the Shelter Program with a very concrete plan. After going through the Shelter Process enrolling and completing multiple trainings, A.R. was recently hired for a Business Development Coordinator for Schnitzer Steel a steel recycling company. Now, A.R. is going to a couple of apartment listings this week, and ready to make his way in this new neighborhood.

❖ This week at JET, Client A.S. came to the United States from China on a Church Fellowship program. A.S described the fellowship as eye opening, as she assumed that New York City was filled with opportunity and that poverty was nonexistent. After completing the internship, she was left unemployed and feeling helpless. That experience allowed her to open her eyes. A.R took a chance with the JET program, she was advised to complete a CPR certification and sharpen her English skills by attending English language exchange events hosted by MEET UP. After improving her English and obtaining her CPR certification, she worked closely with her Employment Coordinator to apply for various Teaching Assistant positions. A.R was immediately hired by Green Ivy School as the Club House Counselor. "Thank you lifting my spirits up when I almost gave up," said A.S.

Young Adult Internship Program (YAIP):

- ❖ This week at YAIP, we celebrated the success of 18A graduate O.C. who, after several missed attempts are job interviews, came back in to meet with his JET Employment Coordinator and problem solve his job search. Our staff assisted him in updating his resume to reflect the hospitality experience that he had obtained during his YAIP Internship, and 72 Hours later he was hired at a Hotel in Williamsburg in housekeeping.
- ❖ This week at YAIP, we finished our four-week training with Sama School. Participants told staff that the combination of trainings in financial literacy and online marketing has really helped increase their understanding of the labor market and their motivation to compete for work.

English as a Second Language and Adult Basic Education:

❖ The ESL Basics classes had another great week. Our new contract manager/auditor came to visit and was impressed with our numbers (enrollment is right where it should be and ADA is above the required standard) as well as the classroom instruction. The ESL Job Readiness classes had another great week too--5 students passed interviews and were placed in jobs. The HSE program classes have been having fun drawing models of human anatomy systems, getting ready for and talking about different kinds of reactions to the solar eclipse and reading the great novel, "The Color of Water." We also learned that 3 more students passed the TASC exam bringing us closer to our goal.

UPCOMING EVENTS

	Sep 6 th	Graduation for August Grads	BLS
*	Sep 7 th	First day of School	
*	Sep 9 th	Back to School Back to Work Celebration	JRC
	Sep 14 th	Henry Street Job Fair	301 Gym
*	Sep 19 th	NYCETC 2017 Summit	Abrons Art Center
		Open House for Prospective Students	OCA
*	Sep 28 th	Family Night	BLS

RESOURCES

Important Calendars:

ATTAIN Lab September Calendar

DOE School Calendar

Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities:

Leadership

• The Support Center

Workforce Development

- WPTI | TRAINING Retention Strategies that Get Results -
- WPTI | TRAINING Facilitation Essentials -
- WPTI | TRAINING Performance-Based Contracts -
- WPTI | TRAINING Employer Engagement: Securing Quality Job Leads and Making Placement Outcomes -

Education

- Preparing Families for the First Day of School Webinar Training for staff working with homeless families -
- Early Childhood Webinars –
- New York Early Childhood Professional Development Institute -
- Partnership for Afterschool Education -
- Goddard Riverside Options Institute -
- NCAN Advisors Toolbox -

Interesting Reads

- Answering the Big Questions of Higher Education:
- Compare the States: Explore five sortable tables to learn how the states and the District of Columbia compare in terms of their demographic challenges, the educational level of their residents, faculty pay, college enrollment, tuition costs, and much more.
- Social and Emotional Learning: A Policy Vision for the Future -
- Mental-Health Issues in Students:
- Paper Thin: Why All High School Diplomas Are Not Created Equal -
- Race to Lead Confronting the Nonprofit Racial Leadership Gap

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

- A Comprehensive LGBTQ Resource List -
- Unrealized Impact The Case for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion -
- <u>Undoing Racism Training</u> -
- Understanding the impact of your curriculum on student learning -
- Teaching Tolerance School Climate Resources -

**Featured Tool/Resource(s) of the Week:

- What Do I Need to Know if DACA Ends?
- Ten Ways to Fight Hate
- The Charlottesville Syllabus